

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Tsuneyuki KIKUCHI
Title: COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM, SERVER, METHOD FOR COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM, AND RECORDING MEDIUM
Appl. No.: 09/988,785
Appl. Filing Date: 11/20/2001
Examiner: Baturay, Alicia
Art Unit: 2155
Confirmation No.: 9130

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. § 141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. § 145 or § 146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114:** (check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

Please enter and consider the amendment and/or reply previously filed on _____.

Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on _____ but not considered.

Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply previously filed on _____.

Other _____.

b. Enclosed are:

Amendment/Reply.

Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).

Information Disclosure Statement.

Form PTO/SB/08 with copies of _____ listed reference(s).

Other _____.

Miscellaneous:

Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ___ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):				\$810.00	= \$810.00
Total Claims:	44	– 45	= 0	x \$50.00	= \$0.00
Independents	16	– 16	= 0	x \$210.00	= \$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:			+	\$370.00	= \$0.00
CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:					= \$810.00

Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below: